

As an avid amateur radio operator for 14 years, and a shortwave listener for 40 years, please be very careful in your evaluation of this technology and how it may impact long time users of the hf spectrum. I believe it will impact my use greatly. I'm already finding a lot more interference lately from the new Digital TV transmitting tower erected nearby. Aren't there enough sources of broadband connections already available out there? There are a lot of fiber optic cables out there placed in the last decade, whose capacity is going unused, and Telcoms are accelerating the deployment of DSL capability. This technology is safe (no electromagnetic emissions in the fiber optics), and already in place. You may think that this Broadband over power lines technology is good for the economy, but except for a few tech companies and some power companies, I don't think a lot of jobs will be created by this. This country needs good, decent paying manufacturing and construction jobs in order for people to afford these high speed connections. If a large portion of Americans are out of work, does it just mean I can contact the unemployment office quicker?

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